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The relevance of JP 3001364 and JP 63-102931 is discussed in the English translation of the International Search Report attached hereto.

The relevance of the prior art JP 2002-85108 is discussed on page 1 of the substitute specification filed concurrently herewith.

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The relevance of the prior art JP 6-7506 is discussed on page 1 of the substitute specification filed concurrently herewith.

The relevance of the prior art JP 6-77506 is discussed on page 1 of the substitute specification filed concurrently herewith.

The statement is not a representation that all of the information cited is necessarily effective as prior art against the application.

Applicant respectfully requests that the disclosed references be made of record in the subject application.

Respectfully submitted,



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